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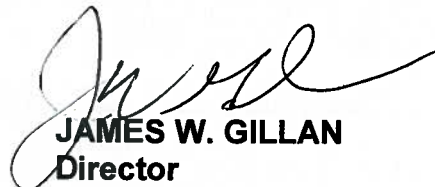
ANNUAL ELECTION PERIOD FOR MEDICARE PART D
OCTOBER 15, 2013 – DECEMBER 7, 2013

The Department of Public Health and Social Services would like to announce that the Annual Election Period for Medicare's prescription drug program, nationally known as Medicare Part D, is from October 15, 2013 through December 7, 2013. During this period, Medicare beneficiaries may enroll or cancel in this voluntary prescription drug program.

For 2014, United HealthCare is offering a Medicare Part D plan, called the AARP MedicareRX Preferred Plan, to the island's Medicare beneficiaries with a monthly premium of \$20.50 effective January 1, 2014 provided the beneficiary enrolls before or by December 7, 2013. A higher monthly premium may be assessed for beneficiaries who delayed their Part D enrollment when they were first eligible, and were without creditable prescription drug coverage from another health insurance.

The Guam Medicare Assistance Program (Guam MAP) within the Division of Senior Citizens (DSC) will be providing free informational presentations on the available 2014 Part D Plan every Tuesday and Thursday at 9:00 a.m. and 2:00 p.m. beginning October 17, 2013 and ending December 5, 2013 at the DSC office located at 130 University Drive, Suite 8, in Mangilao.

Medicare beneficiaries and their families interested in obtaining more information are encouraged to contact DSC at 735-7421 or 735-7415.


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